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Miss E. WILL, Proprietress.
Swatow, 1st April, 1909. [552]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS"
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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or "Matapan" from Havre ex s.s. "Lorient" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that the goods with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11 A.M. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 5th April, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 5th April, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMPMORIN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [2]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI."

Capt. M. Macfarlane, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 P.M. All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th April, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [546]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BELGRAVIA."

Capt. Hildebrandt, having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day. Any Cargo impeding their discharge will be landed at Consignees risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [542]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DEVANHA."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo—"Marmora." From London, ex s.s. "Marmora." From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 7th April, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [1]

METHODS OF TREATING BUBONIC PLAGUE.

[By Dr. LEUNG TAT CHIU.]

A New Pamphlet on Plague by Leung Tat

Chiu has the following in its preface:—

During the last decade of years or perhaps a much longer period Plague has wrought such terrible havoc among mankind and effected such stubborn resistance to medical skill that apparently physicians are at their wits' end to successfully cope with this direful malady. What Hongkong has suffered in this respect is serious enough, but greater calamity from the same cause has befallen India where statistics show that the mortality among sufferers from plague during the last 10 years is appalling, the number of persons who succumbed to the disease during this time being estimated at several millions. This caused painful anxiety to the British Government, so much so that in 1904 a special commission comprising several Medical Practitioners was appointed to hold an investigation into the causation and behaviour of this malady. The enquiry was closed at the end of 1907 when the Commission presented their report to the Government with certain well-considered recommendations which strongly appealed to the Authorities. These recommendations were closely followed and given effect to, and the results attained being fairly satisfactory. They have encouraged the British Government to come forward with an unflinching cure for the disease. The Government also proclaimed that such such remedy, irrespective of nationality or race, or in the figurative words of the Chinese, to rescue the people from a consuming fire, drowning waters and deliver them from danger that they may enjoy their lives. It is superfluous for the writer to suggest that the Government will leave no stone unturned to extirpate this fatal scourge and that at any price, for the common good of men. Not in this matter alone, are the Anglo-Saxons characterized by public spirit and true sympathy for their fellow creatures. Their kindred only to a utilitarianism are not contented with a few things but are in evidence in all movements in which the common good of men is involved. "Integrity of Action" is their watchword and is and has ever been the basis of their noble qualities. How is this assertion proved? By the prosperity and flourishing condition of their commercial colonies and the enormous cosmopolitan shipping in British waters.

National qualities aside, I will now bring my readers back to the subject of plague. This ailment appears to be the subject of the medical works of Hin Ki and the ancient celebrities, little or nothing can be found in the way of useful information concerning its origin. The prescriptions for ailments akin to it, are, as far as I am able to judge, at best, unknown quantities. Readers may have the curiosity to know if the profession I pursue gives me the right to speak as an authority on this subject. My answer to this is in the affirmative. When I was trained as a cadet in the Sunghow Army in my youth, I employed part of my leisure hours in the study of medicine and this I did to no small advantage to myself. In later years, the knowledge of physic I had thus acquired, I applied to the practice of medicine. I then left China and visited the South Sea Islands, where I devoted my time exclusively to my medical profession.

In the year 1882, when North Borneo was colonized, I was given the appointment of surgeon for the immigrants on the plantations by the then Governor and the Trade President, and also received a regular retainer from the Anglo-Chinese Land Investment Company. In the Island called Siat-lien in Chinese, the unsalubrious wind and mists in the mountains and the unhealthy climate, had proved exceptionally hurtful to newcomers, among whom 8 out of 10 had succumbed to its deadly climate. When I took up the appointment, I set to work to look after the health of the immigrants, and the remedies I gave them in Chinese medicines, did more for them than I expected.

In 1894 I returned to China. Plague was then rampant with epidemic violence in the Kwangtung Province. The havoc it played among the inhabitants was horrible, and the authorities and people were thrown into a state of great perturbation. On all sides the situation was looked upon with a feeling of despair—the treatment and medicine they had tried being of no avail. I volunteered to take charge of plague patients and place them under medical treatment. I gave them my own medicine and very high percentage of the cases entrusted to my care was cured. In the year the Tung Wah Hospital offered to engage me to attend to plague patients in Hongkong, but as plague was then at its height in Canton as well as in Hongkong, I was unable to accept the engagement.

In 1898 the Tung Wah Hospital repeated their proposal, but being at the time engaged in establishing the Shui Shin Hospital at Wengshu and building a floating hospital for the boat population, I was prevented from availing myself of their offer.

In 1903 Canton was again visited by plague, I established the Hong Pin Hospital for the treatment of persons suffering from this disease, in conjunction with some public-spirited friends. I volunteered my services and was appointed to take charge of the Hospital, and direct the treatment of the patients, a large number of whom were successfully cured of the disease.

In 1905 I was again approached by the Tung Wah Hospital in Hongkong and entered into its service. My duties were to examine and treat persons suffering from plague under the supervision of official physicians specially appointed by the Hongkong Government for that particular purpose.

In 1908 my services were again called for by the Tung Wah Hospital. The bubonic plague at that time raged with greater violence than ever, and proved highly dangerous to the inhabitants. In most of the cases placed under my care, the disease was unusually troublesome, death threatening the patient every moment. The behaviour and violence, it was complicated in the extreme. The symptoms, being entirely different from those found in plague cases in the previous years, and were more violent and complicated than were found in the cases brought under our notice in 1894. One of its peculiarities was that 5 or 6 buboes were found on the body of the patient who at the same time suffered from trachea and a fever, which were presumably caused by these buboes. The pus in them became so congested and tough that it could be drawn out in cords to the length of more than one foot. No word is sufficiently expressive to intelligently describe these strange conditions. The strange affections and peculiar suffering of the patients and the sudden changes the disease underwent in its various stages only made confusion worse confounded. Guided by my long experience in handling the disease in China and Hongkong, I wish to emphasize the fact that the malady owes its origin to poisonous organism in the

atmosphere, polluted by vaporous mists or thick fogs or the "flying yellow sand" combined with damp and cold winds and excessive moisture in the earth. This unhealthy air commingles with gas emanating from decomposed matters and stagnant water in pools in neglected ground, where fungus grow and poisonous insects breed. I wish to state that my theory of the causation of this type of malady is absolutely based on practical experience and 20 years of close observation, independent of native books and academical theories. My experience in this direction which is not only long but also varied, is not only gained in China but also in most of the tropical parts of the old world. I hope my readers will excuse me if I venture the statement that I am glad that I am in a position to speak authoritatively on this subject and consider myself competent to expound this common but rather mysterious problem. Our drink and food depend on the natural action of the stomach for their digestion and changes. The stomach being the boiler for beverages and food required by the human machinery, is fitted up by nature to assimilate food for the nourishment of the body, keeping the nutriment for the body, and discharging the refuse by means of the fecal and urinary passages of the bowels. When the body is free from unclean matters, its normal temperature is maintained and comfort and ease enjoyed. If any of its organs are contaminated with anything or matter insubstantial, that has entered into the system, either in the form of food or gas, the blood is affected and interferes with its active circulation, and as a result, gives birth to ailments. The human system, when thus diseased, is more susceptible to the action of the atmosphere, especially in the season, when the atmosphere is overlaid with moisture and poisonous gas from what the Chinese called the "flying yellow sand" or from thick fogs or mists continually shutting on sunshine. These weather conditions agitate the elements in the air and produce gas injurious to cattle and mankind. This deadly gas, when inhaled into the system, is at times quick enough to poison the veins of the heart and cause immediate death, without developing buboes. In ordinary cases the gaseous poison struggles with the blood in the veins, and interferes with the circulation, rendering the poison active as it is carried in the blood through the lungs, the stomach and the veins in other parts of the body. The poison then accumulates in the parts affected, takes root and develops into buboes. If the poison enters into the spleen and stomach and the bowels, it will bring forth auxiliary buboes. If the virus gets into the liver and kidney and causes anemia and non-secretion of the saliva, the disease is very dangerous; and as the stomach controls the temperature of the vessels nearer to the lower part of the body than the upper, the virus attacks the former and develops groin buboes. So plague buboes generally break out in all or any of the three main parts of the body. If the virus affects the blood vessels in the upper region the patient will have cervical buboes; if at the middle part, he will have right and left axillary buboes, and if at the lower part, the right and left groin buboes. Proper plague buboes are generally found in all or any of these parts. Eruptions in the lower part below the abdomen are not plague buboes and therefore should not be treated as such. Buboes that break out in any part of the head, face or trunk, are eruptions caused by mucous inflammation and are, as a rule, not as dangerous to life as buboes from plague and may be treated surgically. I reiterate the fact that the disease is an atmospheric malady, which may be guarded against by carrying out the following suggestion:

Your living quarters should be either in a tall house on some elevation, or in buildings where there is plenty of breeze and water, and roundings, with trees or woods close by. If the dwelling is far away from water-places and trees, the occupants would do well to grow some plants about the building to freshen the air.

Poor classes living in thatched houses or huts should have their dwellings ventilated in fine days as often as possible and keep their sleeping places as sweet and dry as possible in rainy weather, by clearing them of all filth and rubbish, especially slops of the kitchen. When the weather is cold, protect yourself against the cold by wearing warm clothing and take care that you do not get a chill. This will give plague very little chance of entering your system. Persons affected with plague are strongly recommended to consult my special pamphlet on the treatment of plague, which is the result of my practical experience and repeated researches. It must be borne in mind that the malady is a subtle and migratory disease. It visits one place in one year and leaves it for another, when the weather changes to its disadvantage. Hence the Chinese saying "Epidemics come round every year, but they are not found in all places." Strong aromatics are a powerful preventive of plague as it scatters the poison in the polluted air. The inflammation caused by plague in the head should be minimized by taking my mixture to stop the fever. The burning sensation in the chest should be worked off by the free use of liquids. The congestion in the bowels should be relaxed by evacuation. Once these parts are relieved from congestion, the blood in the veins is set free and recovers its tone. The fatal symptoms of plague are: purting, and loss of the senses and delirium. When these conditions set in, we know to a certainty that the poison of the disease has attacked the heart and the patient is sinking fast. Not a moment should be lost in giving him the right medicine. Time is the essence of his rescue. No cure, be it ever so efficacious, would be of avail, if the patient is not relieved in time. For obvious reasons sensible doctors will not worry about hopeless cases and on the same principle, wise ministers are always prepared before the outbreak of a rebellion.

This discourse contains conclusions I have arrived at with the aid of my personal experience and observations and a thorough knowledge of the malady combined, and is published for the benefit of all of my fellow creatures.

To sum up, my course of treatment consists in purifying the air around the sickbed with strong aromatics, (2) ventilating the poison from the blood of the patient and invigorating his senses, (3) relaxing the secretion of catarrh in his chest and throat, internally by giving him my mixture and externally by applying my ointment to the buboes, (4) suppressing the buboes by lancing or by cauterization or acupuncture according to the Chinese formula. The following is a brief summary of the behaviour and customary symptoms of plague as discovered during my long practice covering a period of 50 years.

1. Buboes appear before plague is developed.
2. Buboes make their appearance on the part of death.
3. Buboes break out suddenly without fever immediately followed by death.
4. Buboes appear in the neck, axilla and groins.
5. Buboes appear after high fever.

Symptoms:—

High fever with or without sweating, cold limbs with hot breath.

Suffering and symptoms resembling those in typhoid fever.

A nervous feeling, headache, mania, delirium, and stupor.

Apoplexy, deafness, fits of laughing and crying and various insanities and mental derangement.

Fulness of stomach, vomiting, colour on the skin of abdomen dark brown, hemorrhages from nose, pores of hair on the head, stomach, teeth and through the rectal and urinary passages. Blocked up urinary, serious constipation. A thick coated tongue. Hoarseness of voice or loss of same. Pains in the limbs. Swelling of face, head, jaw, throat, neck and legs, conglobation. A red and hot face, patient not able to open his eyes.

My prescriptions for treating plague cases are the following:—

1. Aromatic powder for imparting strong scent into the air around the sick bed for the patient to breathe in.

2. Tonic for quickening the circulation of blood in the patient's system.

3. Decoction of medicines for ventilating poison in the buboes.

4. Powder for sprinkling over the surface of the buboes to soothe pains in the parts affected.

5. Strong purgatives to thoroughly purge the bowels with mixture to act on the throat to increase the saliva.

6. Decoction for counter-attacking the irritation of the buboes to prevent swelling from spreading within and for internally withdrawing poisonous fluid, carrying it down into the bowels.

7. Special mixture for treating buboes on the right and left sides of the neck, varied in strength by the addition of tonic or cooling medicine, as may be necessary, and powder for application to the surface of the buboes.

8. Special mixture for treating buboes in the armpits and soothing powder for application to the eruptions to disperse inflammation and burning.

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10. Lotion for bathing the cavity of the buboes when opened and removing foul matter and dead tissues, helping new flesh to grow and preventing fresh poison from forming and hastening final healing.

LEUNG TAT CHIU—(Chinese physician, a native of the Nam Hoi District in the Kwang Tung Province.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 1st at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over the N.E. coast of China, and moderately in E. Japan. The depression lying over N. China yesterday, has apparently moved Eastwards across Manchuria.

Pressure is high over N. China and N.E. Japan. Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood, { fresh; cloudy, N.E. winds, some rain. }
Formosa Channel, { Same as No. 1. }
South coast of China between { Same as No. 1. }
Hongkong and Lamook, { Same as No. 1. }
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our instrument could be very greatly improved by fitting to its velocity gear a cheap chronograph in order to measure the wind velocity at short intervals by the aid of an electric current. We propose to adapt that to our existing instrument. This suggestion was made by Mr. Hunt, who is the meteorological expert of the Commonwealth Government, and has been visiting during the last eight months the principal observatories of America, Europe and India in order to see their instruments and, if possible, to see whether the instruments in Hongkong could be improved. He spent a day in Hongkong at the end of January and Mr. Figg was able to obtain valuable information of exactly the nature we were seeking. The Manila Observatory has a Spring-Fuores barograph which registers mechanically instead of photographically as ours does. It is of advantage as the mechanical register records are immediately available. Mr. Figg tells me it would be a convenience but would add nothing to our ability to forecast storms and since it costs about \$2,000 it is not proposed to get it. On the main principle of forecasting typhoons, Mr. Figg finds that Mr. Figg's chief reliance for the early prediction of storms must be placed on observations of barometer, wind and weather telegraphed promptly from surrounding areas. Manila Observatory has a barocyclometer, but Mr. Figg does not recommend it. He said he possessed one but did not consult it frequently. He considered it useful for isolated observers but not for observatories connected with other stations.

The motion was agreed to.

RESOLUTION UNDER THE RATING ORDINANCE.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the following resolution:

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable as rates in the undermentioned places be altered from the 1st day of July, 1909, as follows:

	per cent.	per cent.
Tokwanan	From 9 to 9 1/2	
Hok Un	103	111
Taikoktan	103	111
Hungthom	124	13
Taimtsau (Kowloon)	124	13
Yamat	124	13
Monkoktan	124	13

He said:—In these districts fire hydrants have now been fixed and fire appliances are available for use in case of fire. Therefore it seems reasonable that the rates be increased by the usual three-quarter per cent.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded and the motion was agreed to.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS AMENDMENT ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

LIFE INSURANCE CO'S ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Life Insurance Companies Ordinance, 1907.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

THE EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Evidence Ordinance, 1899.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

His EXCELLENCY—Council stands adjourned until Thursday next.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held, the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding. The following votes were passed.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of eleven thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars (\$11,613) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Compensation to Licensees for closure of Opium Divans.

The CHAIRMAN—This is for compensation to the licensees of twenty-six opium divans which have been closed as from the 1st March.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—In connection with this is there any intention on the part of the Imperial Government to carry out their abstract resolution for paying compensation for loss?

The CHAIRMAN—No, those terms do not come into operation until the beginning of the next year. This is a matter of small compensation.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—It is the direct result of the action taken by the Home Government.

The CHAIRMAN—I don't think we will squabble over an item of \$11,000. We are not so hard up as all that yet.

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—It might be noted, however, by and by we shall be presenting our bill.

The CHAIRMAN—That does not come until we let the new farm. This obligation will be discharged by the Colony.

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—It would be included as part of the loss.

The CHAIRMAN—I have tried to explain to members that the loss will be calculated as from March 1st, 1910, on the letting of the new contract.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—That is the difficulty. How is the loss to be calculated? You can only tell what the new farm may bring. This is a definite loss.

The CHAIRMAN—Yes.

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—There is no harm in noting it down.

The CHAIRMAN—We know it is an actual loss. Still it is a very small thing.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—The principle is a very important one, and the loss before we are finished will be very serious. I think the Colonial Treasurer is quite right in raising the question at this time. There ought to be a preliminary protest as the action has been forced upon us by the Imperial Parliament against our wish and we believe to the detriment of the Colony at large.

The CHAIRMAN—The question will come up when we let the new farm. We will then know how much the letting value has been diminished. I have no doubt, as his Excellency has informed the Council, we will receive every consideration from the Home Government. It only complicates the matter to make a protest at this time.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—We look to the Home Government and expect liberal compensation, but it does not follow that we will get it unless we make a protest at once.

The CHAIRMAN—I think His Majesty's Government understand that. However, I will inform His Excellency of what hon. members have said.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) in aid of the vote, Medical Department, A—Staff, Other Charges, Health Officer of Port, Boat's Crew and Messenger.

OBSERVATORY VOTE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars (\$950) in aid of the vote, Observatory, Laboratory Expenses for purchase of Anemograph and Chronograph.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET NOTES.

The League competition is nearly over. "B" team have beaten the Civil Service, who have been running them so close for the shield, and the matches on the board for the "B" should prove a win in each case. They have to play the "A" team twice and the Telegraphs once.

Had they met their Club rivals in the earlier stages, when the fleet gave the latter such useful players as Mullinex and Maundrell, the result might have looked doubtful, but barring accidents the "A" team, minus the Naval contingent, are not strong enough to beat the "B" combination. Should, however, the "A's" be successful in one match and draw in the other, the Civils will be again level for first place, in which case another interesting match might be witnessed, such as delighted the spectators on the Club ground last Saturday.

The "B" team playing an uphill game all the way won from the Civils by one run with last man in, and the light was so bad that the batsman had to guess to a certain extent where the ball was coming.

The League committee are to be congratulated on the improved standard of cricket this season, due no doubt to the withdrawal of restrictions against certain of the Club players, who were considered too good. It only remains now to uphold that standard; and to do this certain things seem necessary. Firstly, we must keep a senior league, but as this branch of sport is being taken up more generally it is advisable to cater for those Clubs who are not sufficiently strong to compete against teams in the present league.

Much has already been said in this connection, and it now remains for the League Committee to go into the matter, should they not do so, it behooves those clubs interested to take the initiative.

Next Saturday's matches are the "A" and "B" teams of the Club, and Craigieburn and Kowloon. Good cricket, should be witnessed in both cases, but the results will not affect the disposal of the shield unless the "A's" beat their club companions.

UMPIRE.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

To-day's matches in connection with the Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament are as under:

Singles: Freund v. Garnett.

Doubles: Thompson and Bagnall v. Gels-thorpe and Carter; Harris and Beavis v. Kilmeneck and Pearce; Le Breton and Brown v. Ironside and Schluter.

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SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, April 1st.

IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT.)

S. E. ALANNA'S AFFAIRS.

S. E. Alanna appeared for his public examination.

Debtor in reply to the Official Receiver, said he was the late proprietor of S. E. Alanna and Company, drapers, 1A D'Aguilar Street, which business he started in December 1906 when he bought it from S. M. Barchoo for about \$15,000. It was less than \$15,000 and more than \$14,000. He could not remember the exact amount. It was paid in instalments of \$400 a month and he had paid up till the time he filed his petition. He had no capital when he started except \$1,000 worth of jewellery. He had no partners. He thought he made a profit in the first year. He only books he kept were a customers' ledger. He did not keep a cash book.

By the Court:—Why not?—Because I had no partners.

Debtor said he had a banking account at the Yokohama Specie Bank which he opened in 1907. Prior to that he had an account at the International Bank which was closed. On November 7th he paid into the Yokohama Bank \$3,000 which Moosa Vieira asked him to keep for him. Moosa handed him \$8,000 to keep for him, \$5,000 of which he placed in the Dutch Bank. This account was closed.

Rather an extraordinary thing to give you \$8,000 to keep, wasn't it? Was there any agreement?—No agreement.

Were you to keep it as long as you pleased?—No, until he wanted it.

Did you pay it back to him?—Yes.

In the month following you paid \$6,000 into the Yokohama Specie Bank?—I drew it from the Dutch Bank and paid it into the Yokohama Specie Bank.

Debtor explained with regard to another cheque that he had bought a draft for \$500, at the instance of Moosa in order to make a little on the exchange. Moosa had no interest in the business, but he sold goods to debtor on commission. Debtor thought he made more than \$2,000 in the first year.

What were your personal expenses?—During the first year my pocket expenses were \$100 a month.

You kept no account?—No.

It might have been \$1,000 for all you know?—No, not so much.

Debtor, asked why he drew out cheques to bearer, said that sometimes they were for other people and sometimes for his pocket expenses. Some of the cheques paid to Moosa were after the bankruptcy and those had been paid to the Official Receiver.

Can you make out any statement as to what you have been spending on yourself during the last two years?—This year I spent more money because after November 1907 I started drinking and I did not know how many dollars I spent.

You have been spending a lot of money?—I don't know. Before I never drank. After November I was always thinking about my cargoes.

You know you have been spending considerable sums in drinking and other things?—At morning time I was very sorry but at night time I did not know how many dollars I was spending.

Where did you get the money from?—Selling the cargo in the shop in business.

Have you been in the habit of frequenting disorderly houses?—Yes.

You spent a lot of money there?—Yes.

Have you any family dependent upon you?—No.

Mr. Scott Harston, who appeared for Messrs. J. D. Hutchison and Company, questioned the debtor.

When did you first know you were insolvent?—At the last moment when every creditor wished to take money.

Do you recollect having an interview with Mr. Pearce of Messrs. J. D. Hutchison and Company in October last when you assured him you were solvent?—No.

Do you deny that you had the interview and that you said that?—I told him nothing.

If Mr. Pearce says you said you were solvent and it was in consequence of that statement he allowed you to have \$3,000 worth of goods, he is not speaking the truth?—He came to my shop and asked me to give him an order and I gave him an order.

He never inquired, although your case was reported in the papers, into your solvency?—The case was published in the newspapers, and he asked me if I was going into bankruptcy and I said no.

You say you had no such conversation. I put it to you that you made a deliberate false statement to obtain \$3,000 worth of goods?—I deny it.

You sold this business of yours before the bankruptcy?—Yes.

You were not then really the owner. You had not paid for it?—Yes, I was the owner.

Had you paid for it?—No.

You know as a matter of fact that the promissory notes you had given for this business were held by the National Bank of China?—Yes.

Hypothecated to them for the purpose of financing Moosa E. Vieira who was supplying you with goods?—I gave the promissory notes to Moosa E. Vieira who hypothecated to the Bank.

And that the Bank was financing Moosa E. Vieira?—I did not know that. He was helping me.

You know he had hypothecated the goods?—Yes.

Don't you think that before transferring this business you should have communicated with the bank?—I thought a good price was offered for the business and I sold it.

With regard to this money which you say Moosa E. Vieira gave you to keep for him. You knew he was in difficulties at that time?—Yes.

You knew that shortly afterwards he went bankrupt?—Yes.

Why didn't you inform the Official Receiver about this money?—He was not bankrupt when he gave me the money.

He was bankrupt before you delivered up the money?—Yes.

You knew he was bankrupt and you took no steps to give up the money?—He told me to keep it for him.

Do you call that honest?—He told me to keep it as he said.

Do you call that honest on your part?—I can't say.

I suggest to you that the whole of these drawings of yours and this complication with Moosa E. Vieira was a system of jugglery?—No, it was not.

Why didn't you draw the cheques in an honest way with the man's name on them?—Well he asked me to give him cash.

You have not kept proper books of account?—Only a ledger.

You have been guilty of extravagance in living?—I did not know it at that time. The public examination was closed.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR F. PIGOTT.)

ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY V. MADAME FLINT.

The hearing of argument in this action was continued. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C., instructed by Mr. Holt, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Stevenson of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defendant.

At the conclusion of the argument, His Lordship, in giving judgment, said he did not think he could accept the suggestion which had been made with regard to the terms of the letters by defendant. He had to look at the intention of the parties in the series of correspondence and it was clear to his mind that they had agreed after a series of written discussions as to what the principal terms were on which the lease was going to be taken out. Then came a final remark by defendant that if plaintiffs instructed their solicitors to prepare a draft lease Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon would approve of the same. The question he had to settle was: Is this an agreement subject or dependent upon terms to be approved by the solicitors or does it simply mean that terms have been agreed to and that the agreement has to be drafted. He thought it was not an agreement subject and dependent upon certain terms which would ultimately be approved by solicitors, but that terms had been agreed to by the parties and that these were to be drafted by the solicitors. By that he meant that so far as the parties were concerned they had settled all they had to say and if there was any question for the solicitors to see to, those matters must be settled between themselves. He was sorry that the case had come into Court because it did not admit of any very easy settlement either by way of specific performance or damages. The defendant, who was perfectly sure, would have been very astonished if she had not got the premises when she wanted them, but he supposed she changed her mind. But the law did not allow persons to change their mind, not even the opposite sex. When once the offer was accepted there was an end of the matter. Defendant seems to have stood upon what she thought were her legal rights and he could not blame the plaintiffs for doing the same. They had got a very good bargain and wanted to stick to it. Therefore he thought they were entitled to it. How they were to have it he did not know, but he had worked out a form of judgment which he thought would meet the case. The fact was that the case itself contained elements of settlement. There were the empty premises which might probably be let and as soon as they were, there was an end of the damages. However, the parties had chosen to stand upon their rights, and therefore he must state them. The rights were these: First the plaintiff must get his costs. Secondly, the plaintiff must get damages because he did not think the damages could be expressed at present. Therefore he thought it was a case for specific performance, but not yet. Specific performance could only be when the conditions which were to be fulfilled by plaintiffs themselves had been fulfilled. That was really carrying out the terms of the contract. Those conditions might be very small but that is neither here nor there. There were certain things to be done by plaintiffs and when these were done the plaintiffs could have specific performance. Of course there could be no judgment finally drawn up until then. Both parties could look about for a tenant and he was sure that each would help the other and directly there was a tenant the whole matter would come to an end.

Mr. Pollock said there were two little points to be mentioned. First his clients were to have built the vestibule by the first of February this year and then the lease also was to have started from that date. Of course there could not be specific performance from the first of February.

His Lordship—I do not see how I can help you any further.

Mr. Pollock—Will the four years and two months mean from the new date?

His Lordship—Oh yes.

Sir Henry—If the plaintiffs are not in a position to give a lease for four years and two months no order should be made?

His Lordship—I do not follow that.

Sir Henry—I am informed that they are not in a position to give a lease for four years and two months, because their own lease is not long enough.

His Lordship—Then it must be refused.

Sir Henry—No, not at all. If they cannot give us what we agreed to the contract is at an end.

His Lordship—But they could, then on February first.

After further discussion His Lordship pointed out that he could not help the reduction to the lease because the defendant had broken the contract.

Mr. Pollock suggested that there should be damages for the two months already expired, but His Lordship said he was not disposed to give damages. His Lordship made an order that the conditions of the lease should be limited within a month, and added that if the parties did not carry out the terms of the judgment then they would see what would happen.

A RIVAL TO RADIUM.

EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS.

The American newspapers devote a great amount of space to an alleged discovery by Dr. Shillman Bailey, of the Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago. In an address to the Medical Congress assembled at New Orleans Dr. Bailey stated that he had discovered a substance which was described as like radium, but less harmful and expensive, and called radio-thor, or thor-x. The substance is so powerful as a therapeutic agent as to suggest a revolution in the practice of surgery.

This material was obtained from pitchblende found in Colorado. It possessed, said Dr. Bailey, all the curative properties of radium, and none of its baneful after-effects. It is also within the reach of persons of moderate means, and the supply is apparently limitless. Dr. Bailey had secured the most successful results with thor-x in the great relief, and as he believed, the permanent cure of locomotor ataxia, with it he had cured photographic objects ataxia. With it he had cured a glass tube containing a solution of the material, and said that when placed in contact with the negative pole of a magnet it became luminous.

NERVE SHAKING EXPERIMENTS.

Dr. Bailey exhibited several photographs showing the results of his most recent experiments, and distributed amongst the practitioners present some radio-thor, which had the appearance of a partially-fused metal, and gave out a phosphorescent glow. Dr. Bailey also exhibited a small phial, in which a liquid extracted from the mineral had been placed. He said that this liquid would colour common glass like Bohemian glass, and was of immense value financially. Mr. Tiffany, of New York, value financially. Mr. Tiffany, of New York, value financially.

Further, Dr. Bailey stated that his experiments made him quite nervous, and he gave visible signs of being unstrung. It was the duty of the faculty to try to evolve something for the prevention of their practice.

The consensus of opinion at the convention was that Dr. Bailey had made out a strong case in support of his claim that he had discovered a positive remedy for locomotor ataxia, cancer, and other maladies that have long baffled the medical profession.

A WHITE WOMAN KABUL.

ROMANTIC STORY OF ELDERLY IRISH LADY.

A singular romance is related in connection with the announcement in the Irish newspapers of the death at Kabul, Afghanistan, of Emily, widow of the late Henry Simpson Lincoln.

Some twelve years ago, a young Indian Mahomedan, studying at the Royal College of Surgeons in Dublin, resided with Mrs. Lincoln, who was about seventy years of age. When the young Indian finished his studies he determined to accompany him back to India, and left the Unitarian Church for Mahomedanism. In the course of time the Indian obtained a position in the service of the Amir of Afghanistan, Kabul as secretary to the Amir of Afghanistan, and there Mrs. Lincoln followed him, braving the formidable journey from Lahore to Kabul by horse and palanquin, although about eighty years of age. Arriving in Kabul she was obliged to live in the retirement observed by Mahomedan women, and saw the young Indian no more, though she was allowed to talk with him unseen. Her last letters to her Dublin friends told of loneliness beyond expression, and of her belief of approaching death. Almost immediately afterwards came a telegram stating that she had passed away.

EARTH TIDES.

M. Camille Flammarion, the eminent astronomer, in a letter published in Paris on the 21st ult., made the announcement that it has been established as the result of recent observations that the earth twice every day experiences general undulations corresponding to the tides of the ocean. This discovery is due to observations made at the P. tadam Observatory by the astronomer Hecker, who, by means of special instruments, has ascertained that this apparent solid earth is subject to daily oscillations analogous to the tides, rising and falling twice in every 24 hours some 20 centimetres, or about 8 in.

The subject of M. Camille Flammarion's announcement regarding the diurnal rise and fall of the earth's surface has been under investigation for years past in the Observatory at Kimberley. The most delicate instruments have been used, and the results have shown that the earth's surface rises and falls gradually over eight inches once daily, averaging the movement of the greatest earthquakes. The movement is not tidal. It is probably connected with the sun's influence, but hitherto the phenomenon has been inexplicable. South Africa also tilts to the east in summer and to the west in winter. This is probably traceable to seasonal rainfall.

THE GRAVE OF POPE PIUS.

His Holiness the Pope in receiving the Church body of St. Peter Basilica, when they presented their congratulatory on the occasion of his Sacred Jubilee, and at the same time offered him a donation to the St. Peter's Fund, replied with an affectionate speech, in which, after expressing his gratitude, he mentioned that he has chosen as his place of sepulture the crypt of the Vatican Basilica, in order that his ashes might lay next to those of the first Pope.

His Holiness added that he had provided a certain sum for the restoration of the crypt, whose pavement had somewhat deteriorated by the successors of the first Pope.

There lie, besides the body of the first Pope, the Apostles and of the first martyr—Pope St. Peter's Basilica, the graves of the High Pontiffs St. Bonifacius IV., St. Nicholas II., Gregorius V., Bonifacius VIII., Marcellus II., Pius II. and Pius III., of the emperor Otho II., Queen Charlotte, the three last King Edwards of England and St. Damasus. Amongst the principal inscriptions in the walls, is a fragment of the Will of Countess Mathilde, in which she bequeathed all her estates to the patrimony of St. Peter.

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THE LENDING OF NAVAL OFFICERS.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

WILKS & JACK, LIMITED.

As from this date the interest and responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CHARLES WILKS as General Manager of the above firm ceases; the management being taken over by the undersigned.

W. C. JACK.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [558]

NOTICE.

HAVING severed my connection with the firm of WILKS & JACK, Ltd., I have established myself as Consulting Engineer and Surveyor, &c., at YORK BUILDINGS (1st Floor), Hongkong.

E. C. WILKS, M.T. MACH. E.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [559]

TO-MORROW NIGHT! TO-MORROW NIGHT! SATURDAY, 2ND APRIL.

HONGKONG CINEMATOGRAPH

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- Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909. [560]

IN THE MATTER OF THE PATENT'S ORDINANCE 1892 (No. 2 of 1892), and

IN THE MATTER OF an application made by EINAR ALEXANDER HYTTEN of St. Kirkestræde No. 1 Copenhagen, in the Kingdom of Denmark for an invention "for improvements in telephonic apparatus."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition, Declaration and Specification required by the above mentioned Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and that it is the intention of the above named EINAR ALEXANDER HYTTEN by DENNIS & BOWLEY his Solicitors, to apply for Letters Patent for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of the above named invention at a sitting of the Executive Council to be held at the Council Chamber on TUESDAY, the 15th day of April, 1909, at 2.30 P.M.

Dated the 1st day of April, 1909.

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CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [4]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENALDER," FROM MIDDLESBRO' ANTWERP, LONDON and STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th inst., will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [562]

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All claims must reach us before the 12th inst., or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [56]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [551]

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [537]

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1909. [50]

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [543]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [556]

NOTICE.

WE, the Undersigned, Trustees for the

Creditors of Tso Kiu Kze, appointed by a Deed dated the 27th day of February, 1909.

Heretofore Give Notice, that, having realised a large portion of the debtor's estate, we are prepared to pay to the Creditors a first dividend in respect of the debts due to them respectively within one calendar month from this date hereof.

We therefore request that each creditor will, before the 27th day of April next, send to us, at the Comptroller Department of the Office of Messrs. W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., an account of the debt due to them or him by Tso Kiu Kze, and such proofs as they or he may possess of that debt.

We also request that all persons indebted to Tso Kiu Kze will pay or send in to us the amount of such their indebtedness before the 27th day of April next.

NG KWOK HING & CHAN FAI YU, Hongkong, 27th day of March, 1909. [527]

NOTICE.

WE, the Undersigned, a well-established

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1909. [474]

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THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 3rd day of April, 1909, at 11.30 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1908, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 27th March until SATURDAY, 3rd April, 1909, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [512]

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 3rd April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st Dec. 1908, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY the 31st March to SATURDAY, the 3rd April, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [513]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, at Noon, on MONDAY, the 5th April, 1909, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 5th day April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELBY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1909. [483]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th April to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [517]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be hereafter adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [544]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th April to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [526]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.45 P.M., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be hereafter adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [545]

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MANILA	"CHINHUA"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"ZAMBOANGA"	On 9th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 9th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"HUICHOW"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"CHENAN"	On 11th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"KAIPOH"	On 12th April, 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 2nd April, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Saturday, 3rd April, 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, WEI	"CHEONGHING"	Sunday, 4th April, 4 P.M.
HAITAI & CHEFOO	"HANGSANG"	Monday, 5th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YATSIANG"	Monday, 5th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 9th April, 4 P.M.
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S.S. SILEPSIA	15th April
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S.S. SEGOVIA	17th May
S.S. ISTRIA	29th May

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CANTON"	Midday of April.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN and ST. PETERSBURG	"TRANQUEBAR"	About Mid. of April.

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KITANO MARU	(Capt. F. F. COPE)	About Wed. 2nd June.
HIRANO MARU	(Capt. H. FRASER)	About Wed. 30th June.

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Hongkong, 18th March, 1909.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	"HITACHI MARU"	6715	WED'DAY, 14th April, at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKOHAMA	"KANAGAWA MARU"	6169	WED'DAY, 23rd April, at Daylight
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	"TANGO MARU"	7453	TUESDAY, 13th April, at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	"AKI MARU"	6444	TUESDAY, 27th April, at Noon
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	"KUMANO MARU"	5076	FRIDAY, 16th April, at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"YAWATA MARU"	5539	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon
	"WAKAMIYA MARU"	4421	FRIDAY, 2nd April, at Noon
	"HAKATA MARU"	6151	FRIDAY, 2nd April, at Noon
	"TAKASAKI MARU"	4370	WED'DAY, 14th April, at Noon
	"YAWATA MARU"	3817	WED'DAY, 14th April, at Noon

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909.

T. KUSUMOTO,
MANAGER.

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TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA	Second half of April
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909.

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